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Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified new Patent Application:

- 1. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (1 page);
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